TOWN OF DAVIE TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Mark Kutney; Development Services Director

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SUBJECT: Ordinance

AFFECTED DISTRICT: Townwide

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA REPEALING EXISTING ARTICLE XV, TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWERS AND ANTENNAS, SECTIONS 12-504 – 12-508 AND SECTION 12-34(G), COMMUNICATION APPARATUS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SECTIONS WITH PROPOSED INTERIM REGULATIONS OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, PROVIDING FOR A HIERARCHY OF PREFERRED SITING ALTERNATIVES, CONTAINING PROVISIONS FOR EVALUATION OF SITING APPLICATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN CODE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

REPORT IN BRIEF: On February 6, 2002, the Town Council adopted Ordinance 2002-3 which declared a six (6) month moratorium related to the acceptance of applications for Wireless Telecommunications Towers and Antennas as well as the issuance of permits and approvals for the construction of Wireless Telecommunications Towers. The Town Council selected CityScape Siting and Management, Inc. to perform consulting services related to Telecommunications including revisions and enhancements to the Town's current Telecommunications Regulations and the completion of a wireless telecommunications plan for the Town.

On July 7, 2002 by Resolution, R-2002-150 the Town Council authorized the execution of a contract for the completion of the aforementioned services.

The Town Council in conjunction with CityScape Siting & Management, Inc. held a public hearing on July 10, 2002 to obtain comment regarding telecommunication issues. The attached ordinance is an interim set of regulations, drafted to replace the existing and inadequate regulations within the Town Land Development Code and to provide the appropriate regulatory enhancements, enabling the Town to end the moratorium associated with telecommunications.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: None

CONCURRENCES: None

FISCAL IMPACT: None

RECOMMENDATION(S): Motion to approve

Attachment(s):

ORDINANCE NO:	
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Whereas, the Town Council of the Town of Davie wishes to assure that that the Town regulates the provision of wireless services throughout the Town in a fair and even fashion and does not unduly prohibit the provision of wireless services; and

Whereas, the Town Code sections that presently address the provision of wireless services require revision in order to better reflect the state of the wireless industry and the technology currently available; and

Whereas the Town Council has engaged a consultant to provide a Master Wireless Plan for the Town of Davie that is in the process of being prepared; and

Whereas, rather than extend the existing moratorium on wireless facilities within the Town of Davie, it is deemed desirable to the Town to enact an interim ordinance to address wireless facility applications while the Town's Master Plan is being completed;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 12-34(G) of the Town of Davie Land Development Code is repealed in its entirety and amended to read as follows:

SEE ATTACHMENT "B" – Section 12-34(G) (repealed)

(G) Communication Apparatus:

- (1) In all districts except the U district, radio and television receiving antennas, stations, structures and/or towers are limited to a maximum height of twenty-five (25) feet above grade.
- (2) In the CC district radio and television receiving antennas, stations, structures and/or towers are limited to a maximum height equal to the height of the adjacent building.
- (3) In the U district radio and television receiving antennas, stations, structures and/or towers are permitted pursuant to the conceptual master land use plan associated with the zoning.

Any and all other wireless communications antennas, stations, structures and/or towers, including but not limited to satellite earth stations, amateur (ham) radio facilities, and commercial wireless communications facilities shall be regulated in accordance with Article XV of Chapter 12 of the Town of Davie Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 2. Article XV of Chapter 12 of the Town of Davie Code of Ordinances is repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following provisions:

SEE ATTACHMENT "A" – New Interim Ordinance SEE ATTACHMENT "C" – Article XV (repealed)

SECTION 3. Should any part of this Ordinance be declared unenforceable by a court of law, that shall not affect the remainder hereof, which shall still remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall be made a part of the Town of Davie Code and the provisions herein may be renumbered for such purpose.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED on first reading this		day of	, 2002.	
PASSED on second reading the	his	day of	, 2002.	
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ATTEST:		MAYOR/C	COUNCILMEMBER	
TOWN CLERK				
APPROVED THIS	DAY OF _		, 2002	

TOWN OF DAVIE – PROPOSED INTERIM WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SITING HEIRARCHY AND SITING REQUIREMENTS (DRAFT #2 ORDINANCE July 29, 2002) ARTICLE XII – Wireless Communications Facilities

Section 12-504. Purpose and Intent.

The purpose and intent of this section is to:

- (A) Promote the health, safety and general welfare of the public by regulating the siting of wireless communication facilities, including satellite earth stations; and
- (B) Minimize the impacts of wireless communication facilities on surrounding areas by establishing standards for location, structural integrity and compatibility; and
- (C) Encourage the location and colocation of wireless communication equipment on existing structures thereby minimizing new visual, aesthetic and public safety impacts, effects upon the natural environment and wildlife, and to reduce the need for additional antenna-supporting structures; and
- (D) Accommodate the growing need and demand for wireless communication services; and
- (E) Encourage coordination between suppliers of wireless communication services in the Town of Davie; and
- (F) Respond to the policies embodied in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 in such a manner as not to unreasonably discriminate between providers of functionally equivalent personal wireless service or to prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting personal wireless service in the Town, and
- (G) Establish predictable and balanced codes governing the construction and location of wireless communications facilities, within the confines of permissible local code, and
- (H) Establish review procedures to ensure that applications for wireless communications facilities are reviewed and acted upon within a reasonable period of time, and
- (I) Consideration of and compatibility with the Goals and Objectives of the Town of <u>Davie Comprehensive Plan and</u>
- (J) Protection of the unique natural beauty and rural character of the Town while meeting the needs of its citizens to enjoy the benefits of wireless communications services.

Section 12-505 Siting Alternatives Hierarchy. Siting of a Wireless Communications Facility (as herein defined) shall be in accordance with the following siting alternatives hierarchy:

- A. Stealth Wireless Communications Facility.
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- B. Stealth Attached Wireless Communications Facility
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- C. Colocation on Existing Antenna Supporting Structure.
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- D. Attached Wireless Communications Facility
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- E. Replacement of Existing Antenna Support Structure.
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- F. New Antenna Support Structure.
 - 1. On Town-Owned site.
 - 2. On Non-Town Owned site.
- G. The order of ranking, from highest to lowest, shall be A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2, D1, D2, E1, E2, F1 and F2. Where a lower ranked alternative is proposed, the applicant must file an affidavit demonstrating that despite diligent efforts to adhere to the established hierarchy within the Geographic Search Area, as determined by a qualified radio frequency engineer, higher ranked options are not feasible.

Section 12-506 Definitions.

For the purposes of this division, the terms and phrases listed below shall have the following meanings:

<u>Ancillary Structures</u> means forms of development associated with a wireless communications facility, including but not limited to: foundations, concrete slabs on grade, guy wire anchors, generators, and transmission cable supports; however, specifically excluding equipment enclosures.

- Anti-Climbing Device means a piece or pieces of equipment which are either attached to antenna-supporting structure, or which are free-standing and are designed to prevent people from climbing the structure. These devices may include but are not limited to fine mesh wrap around structure legs, "squirrel-cones", the removal of climbing pegs on monopole structures, or other approved devices, but excluding the use of barbed or razor wire.
- Antenna means any apparatus designed for the transmitting and/or receiving of electromagnetic waves that includes but is not limited to telephonic, radio or television communications. Types of antennas include, but are not limited to: omni-directional (whip) antennas, sectorized (panel) antennas, multi or single bay (FM & TV), yagi, or parabolic (dish) antennas.
- Antenna Array means a single or group of antennas and their associated mounting hardware, transmission lines, or other appurtenances which share a common attachment device such as a mounting frame or mounting support.
- Antenna-Supporting Structure means a vertical projection composed of metal, or other substance with or without a foundation that is for the express purpose of accommodating antennas at a desired height above grade. Antenna-supporting structures do not include any device used to attach antennas to an existing building, unless the device extends above the highest point of the building by more than twenty (20) feet.
- Attached Wireless Communication Facility means an antenna or antenna array that is attached to an existing building with any accompanying pole or device which attaches it to the building, transmission cables, and an equipment enclosure, which may be located either inside or outside of the existing building. An attached wireless communications facility is considered to be an accessory use to the existing principal use on a site.
- <u>Breakpoint Technology</u> means the engineering design of a monopole wherein a specified point on the monopole is designed to have stresses at least 5% more susceptible to failure than any other point along the monopole, including the anchor bolts and baseplate, so that in the event of a weather induced failure of the monopole, the failure will occur at the breakpoint rather than at the baseplate or any other point on the monopole.
- <u>Colocation</u> means a situation in which two or more different wireless communication service providers place wireless communication antenna or antennas on a common antenna-supporting structure.
- <u>Combined Antenna</u> as used herein shall mean an antenna or an array of antennas designed and utilized to provide services for more than one carrier, for the same type of services

- <u>Development Area</u> means the area occupied by a wireless communications facility including areas inside or under the following: an antenna-supporting structure's framework, equipment enclosures, ancillary structures, and access ways.
- <u>Equipment Enclosure</u> means any structure above the base flood elevation including: <u>cabinets</u>, <u>shelters</u>, <u>pedestals</u>, <u>and other similar structures</u>. <u>Equipment enclosures are used exclusively to contain radio or other equipment necessary for the transmission or reception of wireless communication signals and not for the storage of equipment nor as habitable space.</u>
- *FAA* means the Federal Aviation Administration.
- FCC means the Federal Communications Commission.
- Guyed means a style of antenna-supporting structure consisting of a single truss assembly composed of sections with bracing incorporated. The sections are attached to each other, and the assembly is attached to a foundation and supported by a series of guy wires that are connected to anchors placed in the ground or on a building.
- <u>Geographic Search Area</u> means an area designated by a wireless provider or operator for a new base station facility, produced in accordance with generally accepted principles of wireless engineering.
- Handoff Candidate means a wireless facility that receives call handoffs from another particular wireless facility, usually located in an adjacent first "tier" surrounding the initial wireless facility.
- <u>Lattice</u> means a tapered style of antenna-supporting structure that consists of vertical and horizontal supports with multiple legs and cross-bracing, and metal crossed strips or bars to support antennas.
- Master Telecommunications Plan as used herein shall mean a plan developed for the Town of Davie intended to enforce the planning and zoning issues of the town while complying with all applicable laws, rules and mandates of governing bodies.
- Monopole means a style of free-standing antenna-supporting structure that is composed of a single shaft usually composed of two or more hollow sections that are in turn attached to a foundation. This type of antenna-supporting structure is designed to support itself without the use of guy wires or other stabilization devices. These structures are mounted to a foundation that rests on or in the ground or on a building's roof.
- <u>Personal Wireless Service means commercial mobile services, unlicensed wireless services, and common carrier wireless exchange access services, as defined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996.</u>

- Public Antenna-Supporting Structure means an antenna-supporting structure, appurtenances, equipment enclosures, and all associated ancillary structures used by a public body or public utility for the purposes of transmission and/or reception of wireless communication signals associated with but not limited to: public education, parks and recreation, fire and police protection, public works, and general government.
- <u>Radio Frequency Emissions means any electromagnetic radiation or other</u> communications signal emitted from an antenna or antenna-related equipment on the ground, antenna-supporting structure, building, or other vertical projection.
- Replacement means the construction of a new antenna-supporting structure built to replace an existing antenna-supporting structure.
- Satellite Earth Station means a single or group of satellite parabolic (or dish) antennas.

 These dishes are mounted to a supporting device that may be a pole or truss assembly attached to a foundation in the ground, or in some other configuration. A satellite earth station may include the associated separate equipment enclosures necessary for the transmission or reception of wireless communications signals with satellites.
- State of the Art as used herein shall mean existing technology where the level of facilities, technical performance, capacity, equipment, components and service are equal to that developed and demonstrated to be more technologically advanced than generally available for comparable service in the State of Florida.
- Stealth Attached Wireless Communication Facility means an antenna or antenna array that is attached to an existing building with any accompanying pole or device which attaches it to the building, transmission cables, and an equipment enclosure, which may be located either inside or outside of the existing building, and which is not readily identifiable as such, and is designed to be aesthetically compatible with existing and proposed uses on a site. A stealth attached wireless communications facility is considered to be an accessory use to the existing principal use on a site.
- Stealth Wireless Communications Facility means a wireless communications facility, ancillary structure, or equipment enclosure that is not readily identifiable as such, and is designed to be aesthetically compatible with existing and proposed uses on a site. A stealth facility may have a secondary function, including, but not limited to the following: church steeple, windmill, bell tower, spire, clock tower, cupola, light standard, flagpole with a flag, or tree).
- Wireless Communications means any personal wireless service, which includes but is not limited to, cellular, personal communication services (PCS), specialized mobile radio (SMR), enhanced specialized mobile radio (ESMR), unlicensed spectrum services utilizing Part 15 devices (i.e. wireless internet services) and paging.

Wireless Communication Facility (WCF) means any staffed or unstaffed facility for the transmission and/or reception of radio frequency signals, or other wireless communications, and usually consisting of an antenna or group of antennas, transmission cables, and equipment enclosures, and may include an antennasupporting structure. The following developments shall be considered as a Wireless Communication Facility: developments containing new or existing antenna-supporting structures, public antenna-supporting structures, replacement antenna-supporting structures, colocation on existing antenna-supporting structures, attached wireless communications facilities, stealth wireless communication facilities, and satellite earth stations.

Section 12-507 Applicability.

- (A) Except as provided for in subsection (B) below, this section shall apply to development activities including installation, construction, or modification to the following wireless communications facilities:
 - (1) Existing antenna-supporting structures; and
 - (2) Proposed antenna-supporting structures; and
 - (3) Public antenna-supporting structures; and
 - (4) Replacement of existing antenna-supporting structures; and
 - (5) Colocation on existing antenna-supporting structures; and
 - (6) Attached wireless communications facilities; and
 - (7) Stealth wireless communications facilities.
- (B) The following items are exempt from the provisions of this section, notwithstanding any other provisions contained in zoning codes of the Town of Davie:
 - (1) Non-Commercial, Amateur radio antennas as provided in Florida Statutes

 125.561 which are less than fifty (50) feet in height in all residential districts
 and eighty (80) feet in height in all other zoning districts. Non-commercial,
 amateur, ham radio or citizen's band antenna supporting structures, antennas
 or antenna arrays with heights greater than as provided above shall be
 regulated in accordance with Section 12-520; and
 - (2) Satellite earth stations that are one meter (39.37 inches) or less in diameter in all residential districts and two meters or less in all other zoning districts

- and which are not greater than twenty (20) feet above grade in residential districts and thirty-five (35) feet above grade in all other zoning districts; and
- (3) Regular maintenance and/or upgrade of antenna elements of any existing wireless communications facility that does not include the addition of any new antenna elements on the facility or the placement of any new wireless communications facility; and
- (4) Any existing or proposed antenna-supporting structure, antenna or antenna arrays with an overall height of twenty feet or less in all residential districts and thirty-five (35) feet or less above ground level in all other zoning districts.
- (5) A government-owned wireless communications facility, upon the declaration of a state of emergency by federal, state, or local government, and a written determination of public necessity by the Town Administrator or its designee; except that such facility must comply with all federal and state requirements. No wireless communications facility shall be exempt from the provisions of this division beyond the duration of the state of emergency.
- (6) Antenna supporting structures, antennas and/or antenna arrays for AM/FM/TV/DTV Broadcasting transmission facilities that are licensed by the Federal Communications Commission shall be regulated in accordance with other provisions of the Town of Davie Codes.
- (7) Facilities exempt under subsections (1) and (2) above shall be limited to only one (1) amateur antenna and support structure per residential lot, and a maximum of two (2) satellite dishes per residential lot, provided neither unit is larger than one (1) meter in diameter. Satellite dishes in any residential district that exceed one (1) meter in diameter shall be permitted by the Town Administrator or his designee

Section 12-508 Uses by Zoning District.

(A) Except as provided in subsection (B) below, no wireless communications facility shall be allowed in a particular zoning district except in accordance with the table below.

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Zoning	Stealth		Stealth Attached	Attached	Replacement of Existing Antenna	
<u>District</u>	Facility	Colocation	Facility	Facility	Structure	New Facility
Residential					~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	
RR	N	N	N	N	N	N
AG	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u> </u>	<u>N</u>
<u>s</u>	SP	SP	<u>N*</u>	<u>N*</u>	SP	<u>N</u>
A-1	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
R-1	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
R-2-5	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N</u>
RM-8-16	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N</u>
MH-1-10	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>N*</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N</u>
Commercial,						
Office &						
Business GG 0 P1	D	D	D	D.	CD	CD
SC & B1	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
WT	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	SP/	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
B2	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>SP</u>	SP CP
UC & B-3	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
<u>O</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
FB CC	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>P</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
CC C1	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>Р</u> Р	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
<u>C1</u>					<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>
RO Business Park	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
and Industrial						
BP	P	Р	Р	P	P	SP
M-1	<u>–</u> Р	P	<u>–</u> Р	P	<u>–</u> Р	SP
M-2	P	<u>–</u> Р	<u>–</u> Р	_ Р	<u> </u>	SP
M-3	<u>–</u> Р	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>=</u> <u>Р</u>	<u> </u>	SP
Recreational	-		_	-		
Community						
<u>Facilities &</u> Utilities						
RS	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
CR	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
NCF_	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
<u>CF</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
<u>PCF</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>
<u>U</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>

<u>P – Permitted.</u>

SP- Special Permit

N- Not Permitted

- * A facility in this zoning district which is otherwise prohibited shall be eligible for a Special Permit if attached to a building for which the principal use is non-residential and there is no residential use on the same lot.
 - (B) In all residential districts, Wireless Communications Facilities, shall only be permitted on parcels where the principal use is not as a residential structure.

Section 12-509 Development Standards – New Antenna Supporting Structures.

- (A) These standards shall apply to New Antenna Supporting Structures:
 - (1) Approval criteria for new antenna-supporting structures:

a. Setbacks.

1. Any new antenna-supporting structures, equipment enclosures and ancillary structures shall meet the minimum setback requirements for the zoning district where they are located, except that where the minimum setback distance for an antenna supporting structure from any property line or public right of way is less than the height of the proposed antenna-supporting structure, the minimum setback distance shall be increased to equal the height of the proposed antenna supporting structure, unless the antenna-supporting structure has been constructed using "breakpoint" design technology, in which case the minimum setback distance shall be equal to 110% of the distance from the top of the structure to the "breakpoint" level of the structure, plus the minimum setback distance. For example, on a 100foot tall monopole with a "breakpoint" at 80 feet, the minimum setback distance would be 22 feet (110%) of 20 feet, the distance from the top of the monopole to the "breakpoint", plus the minimum setback for that zoning district. However, in all instances, the minimum setback distance from the setback line of any residentially zoned property, with an inhabited residence or proposed residences, shall be at least 200% of the height of the entire proposed structure. Certification by a licensed Florida professional engineer of the "breakpoint" design and the design's fall radius must be provided together with the other information required herein from an applicant.

b. Height.

The overall height of any antenna-supporting structure, antenna and/or antenna array shall not be greater than one hundred and twenty

(120) feet. Height for all purposes in this Section shall mean the linear distance from the ground to the highest physical point on the Wireless Communications Facility.

c. Construction.

New antenna-supporting structures shall have a monopole type construction only, and shall not be guyed or have a lattice type construction.

d. Structural Integrity.

- 1. The entire antenna-supporting structure and all appurtenances shall be designed pursuant to the wind speed design requirements of ASCE 7-95, including any subsequent modification to those specifications; and
- 2. The new antenna-supporting structure shall be designed to accommodate the maximum amount of wireless communications equipment, including that of other wireless communication service providers. The exact amount of potential additional equipment and/or colocated facilities to be accommodated shall be agreed upon during a pre-application conference and recorded in the Letter of Understanding resulting from the conference. In all cases, the minimum number of colocated facilities on a new antenna-supporting structure between 80 and 120 feet in height shall be three (3), and the minimum number of collocated facilities on a new antenna supporting structure between 40 and 80 feet in height shall be two (2).

e. Lighting.

New antenna-supporting structures shall be illuminated in accordance with FAA requirements to provide aircraft obstruction lighting, where required. Any lighting required by the FAA must be of the minimum intensity and number of flashes per minute (i.e. the longest duration between flashes) allowable by the FAA. No other structure lighting shall be permitted except that required by the FAA.

f. Colocation Feasibility.

1. No antenna-supporting structure shall be permitted unless the applicant demonstrates that no existing wireless communications facility can accommodate the applicant's proposed facility; or that use of such existing facilities would prohibit personal wireless services in the area of the Town to be served by the proposed antenna-supporting structure.

- 2. Evidence submitted to demonstrate that no existing wireless communications facility could accommodate the applicant's proposed facility may consist of any of the following:
 - (i) No existing wireless communications facilities located within the geographic area meet the applicant's engineering requirements.
 - (ii) Existing wireless communications facilities are not of sufficient height to meet the applicant's engineering requirements, and cannot be increased in height.
 - (iii) Existing wireless communications facilities do not have sufficient structural strength to support the applicant's proposed wireless communications facilities and related equipment, and the existing facility cannot be structurally improved.
 - (iv) The applicant demonstrates that there are other limiting factors that render existing wireless communications facilities unsuitable.

g. Color.

New antenna-supporting structures shall maintain a galvanized gray finish or other accepted contextual or compatible color, except as required by federal rules or regulations.

h. Radio Frequency Emissions.

The radio frequency emissions shall comply with FCC standards for such emissions on an individual and cumulative basis with any adjacent facilities. The applicant shall certify that the proposed facility shall cause no harmful interference to the existing Town of Davie Public Safety Communications equipment

i. Intensity Requirements.

- 1. For the purposes of impact fee calculation, the floor area for a wireless communications facility shall be considered as only the total square footage of all equipment enclosures, i.e. the entire fenced-in area; and
- 2. The following shall be considered as development area and shall be required to meet the setbacks and open space ratio requirements for the zoning district and/or habitat where they are located:

- (i) The area beneath all equipment enclosures; plus
- (ii) The area of the antenna-supporting structure foundation at or above grade; plus
- (iii) The area beneath ancillary structures; plus
- (iv) The area inside the antenna-supporting structure framework.

i. Security.

Applicants shall provide for a fence around the proposed facility that meets the requirements of Section 12-113 of these Codes. Alternative equivalent screening may be approved through the site plan approval process in Section 12-374 of these Codes. Any security lighting for on-ground facilities and equipment shall be in compliance with Section 12-260 of these Codes and shall minimize the potential attraction to migratory birds.

k. Landscaping.

Landscaping and buffering shall be required around the perimeter of Development Areas, as required by Section 12-100 et seg. of these Codes except that the Town Council may waive the required landscaping otherwise required under Section 12-101 of these Codes on one or more sides of the Development Areas or allow the placement of required landscaping elsewhere on the Development Area when the required landscape area is located adjacent to undevelopable lands or lands not in public view. Alternative landscaping may be approved by the Town Council. Landscaping shall be installed on the outside of the perimeter fence or wall. Existing vegetation shall be preserved to the maximum extent practicable and may be used as a substitute for or in supplement towards meeting the landscaping requirements, subject to approval by the Town Council. Where not inconsistent with Sections 12-100 et seq., landscaping shall be placed in a manner so as to maximize the screening between residential areas and the wireless telecommunications facility and minimize the view of the facility from any residential areas and public roads and right of ways.

1. Alternative landscaping plans which provide for the same average canopy and understory trees but propose alternative siting on the parent tract of the proposed facility may be considered and approved by the Town Council, provided the proposed alternative maximizes screening as provided above, and is otherwise consistent with the requirements of Sections 12-100 et seq. of these Codes

1. Signage.

The only signage that is permitted upon an antenna-supporting structure, equipment enclosures, or fence (if applicable) shall be informational, and for the purpose of identifying the antenna-supporting structure, (such as ASR registration number) as well as the party responsible for the operation and maintenance of the facility, its current address and telephone number, security or safety signs, and property manager signs (if applicable). If more than two hundred twenty (220) voltage is necessary for the operation of the facility and is present in a ground grid or in the tower, signs located every twenty (20) feet and attached to the fence or wall shall display in large, bold, high contrast letters (minimum height of each letter: four (4) inches) the following: "HIGH VOLTAGE - DANGER."

m. Adverse Effects on Adjacent Properties.

- 1. New antenna-supporting structures shall be configured and located in a manner that shall minimize adverse effects including visual impacts on adjacent properties. The applicant shall demonstrate that alternative locations, configurations, and facility types have been examined and shall address in narrative and graphic form the feasibility of any alternatives that may have fewer adverse effects on adjacent properties than the facility, configuration, and location proposed.
- 2. The following attributes shall be considered from vantage points at adjacent properties, roadways and occupied structures:
 - (i) Height and location; and
 - (ii) Mass and scale; and
 - (iii) Materials and color; and
 - (iv) Illumination; and
 - (v) Existing and proposed vegetation and intervening structures.
 - (vi) Overall aesthetics of the proposed structure.

An applicant shall demonstrate through the photo-simulation requirements under Subsection (2)(j) hereinbelow that the project design employs each of these attributes in a manner that minimizes adverse effects to the greatest extent feasible.

- (2) Submittal requirements for new antenna-supporting structure applications shall include:
 - a. A completed application form and any appropriate fees; and
 - b. Twelve (12) sets (24" x 36") of signed and sealed site plans, including tower elevations, and landscape plans if required, and two (2) reduced copies (8 ½" x 11"), of the foregoing preliminary grading plans may be included on site plans or separately submitted in equal quantities; and
 - c. A property card for the subject property from Broward County

 Property Appraiser's Office or a tax bill showing the ownership of the subject parcel; and
 - d. A form indicating that a property and/or antenna-supporting structure's owner's agent has authorization to act upon their behalf (if applicable); and
 - e. A signed statement from the antenna-supporting structure's owner or owner's agent stating that the radio frequency emissions comply with FCC standards for such emissions certifying that both individually and cumulatively with any other facilities located on or immediately adjacent to the proposed facility; and
 - f. Proof of FCC authority to transmit and/or receive radio signals in the Town of Davie; and
 - g. Prior to issuance of a building permit, a stamped or sealed structural analysis of the proposed antenna-supporting structure prepared by a licensed Florida engineer indicating the proposed and future loading capacity of the antenna-supporting structure; and
 - h. One original and two (2) copies of a survey of the property completed by a licensed Florida engineer or surveyor which shows all existing uses, structures, and improvements; and
 - i. A landscape plan in accordance with the provisions of Section 12-113 of these Codes; and
 - j. Photo-simulated post construction renderings of the proposed antennasupporting structure, equipment enclosures, and ancillary structures as they would look after construction from locations to be determined during the pre-application conference (but shall, at a minimum include renderings from the vantage point of any adjacent roadways and occupied or proposed non- residential or -residential structures), as

well as photo-simulations of the antenna supporting structure after it has been fully developed with antenna structures (applicant may assume for the purpose of the simulation that other antenna structures on the facility will resemble their proposed structure in size and design), proposed exterior paint and stain samples for any items to be painted or stained, exterior building material and roof samples (all mounted on color board no larger than 11" by 17" indicating Light Reflectance Values (LRV); and

- k. Prior to issuance of a building permit, proof of FAA compliance with Subpart C of the Federal Aviation Regulations Part 77, Objects Affecting Navigable Airspace; and
- <u>l.</u> A signed statement from the antenna-supporting structure owner agreeing to allow the colocation of other wireless equipment on the proposed antenna-supporting structure; **and**
- m. If required by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, a letter indicating that the proposed antenna-supporting structure and appurtenances are in compliance with all applicable federal rules and regulations; and
- n. All other documentation, evidence, or materials necessary to demonstrate compliance with the applicable approval criteria set forth in this chapter, including where applicable:
 - 1. existing wireless communications facilities to which the proposed facility will be a handoff candidate, including latitude, longitude, and power levels of each;
 - 2. a radio frequency plot indicating the coverage of existing wireless communications sites, and that of the proposed site sufficient to demonstrate radio frequency search area, coverage prediction, and design radius, together with a certification from the applicant's radiofrequency engineer that the proposed facility's coverage or capacity potential cannot be achieved by any higher ranked alternative such as a stealth facility, attached facility, replacement facility, colocation, or new antenna supporting structure.;
 - 3. a statement that the proposed facility conforms with State of the Art, as defined herein, or alternatively, that State of the Art technology is unsuitable for the proposed facility. Costs of State of the Art technology that exceed facility development costs shall not be presumed to render the technology unsuitable.

- 4. prior to issuance of a building permit, a statement by a licensed Florida professional engineer specifying the design structural failure modes of the proposed facility; and
- 5. antenna heights and power levels of the proposed facility and all other facilities on the subject property.
- 6. a statement from the applicant that demonstrates that alternative locations, configurations, and facility types have been examined; and addresses in narrative form the feasibility of any alternatives that may have fewer adverse effects on adjacent properties than the facility, configuration, and location proposed including but not limited to:
 - (i) Height; and
 - (ii) Mass and scale; and
 - (iii) Materials and color; and
 - (iv) Illumination;
 - (v) Overall aesthetics; and
 - (vi) Information addressing the following items:
 - (a) The extent of any existing or proposed commercial development within the Geographic Search Area of the proposed facility;
 - (b) the proximity of the structure to any existing or proposed residential dwellings;
 - (c) the proximity of the structure to any existing or proposed public buildings or facilities;
 - (d) the existence or proposal of tall and like structures within the Geographic Search Area of the proposed structure;
- o. Title Report or A.L.T.A. Survey showing all easements on the subject property, together with a full legal description of the property.
- p. A vicinity map delineating the location and classification of all major public or private streets and rights-of-way, driveways, public parking areas, pedestrian ways, trails and bikeways within 600 feet of property boundary, including zoning district boundaries, on a 24" x 36" sheet, together with a list of property owners within 500 feet of the subject property and keyed to the map. The list must be from the most current ownership information supplied by the Broward County Property Appraiser's Office, together with two (2) sets of mailing labels for such property owners. Applicant will also provide a notarized Certification Letter stating the ownership list referenced herein is as accurate as possible.

- q. Any other information required by the Town Administrator in its General Submittal Requirements for Wireless Communications Facilities, together with an application fee in the amounts set forth in Section 12-516.
- (3) A pre-application conference is required for any new antenna-supporting structure.

At the time a pre-application conference is held, the applicant shall demonstrate that the following notice was mailed (via certified mail) to all other wireless service providers licensed to provide service within the Town of Davie as indicated on the list of wireless service providers provided by the Town Administrator:

"Pursuant to the requirements of the Town of Davie Code of Ordinances, (name of provider) is hereby providing you with notice of our intent to meet with the Town of Davie Staff in a pre-application conference to discuss the location of a free-standing wireless communications facility that would be located at (location). In general, we plan to construct a support structure of feet in height for the purpose of providing (type of wireless service). Please inform the Town Administrator and us if you have any desire for placing additional wireless facilities or equipment within two (2) miles of our proposed facility. Please provide us with this information within twenty (20) business days after the date of this letter. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely, (pre-application applicant, wireless provider)"

Included with the notice shall be the latitude and longitude (NAD 83) of the proposed structure, and the actual proposed physical address. Within twenty (20) days of receiving a timely response from an interested potential co-applicant, the applicant shall inform the respondent and the planning division in writing as to whether or not the potential colocation or combining is acceptable and under what conditions. If the colocation or combining is not acceptable, then the applicant must provide the respondent and the planning and zoning division written justification as to why the colocation or combining is not feasible.

(4) For all structures requiring a special permit, all property owners within five hundred (500) feet of the property boundary where the proposed structure will be constructed shall receive written notice of the application via certified mail from the applicant.

<u>12-510 Development Standards - Replacement of an Existing Antenna-Supporting Structure.</u>

(A) Approval criteria for replacement antenna-supporting structures

(1) For a proposed replacement antenna-supporting structure to be approved, it shall meet the approval criteria as set forth in Section 12-509 (A) (1) d., e., and g. through 1., as well as the following:

(2) Setbacks.

- a. Any new equipment enclosures shall meet the minimum setback requirements for the zoning district where they are located; and
- b. Replacement antenna-supporting structure foundations constructed on a property or properties which is/are contiguous to residential zones shall not be any closer to these zones than the foundation of the original antenna-supporting structure being replaced.

(3) Height.

a. Replacement antenna-supporting structures, antennas and/or antenna arrays shall not exceed 120 feet:

(4) Construction.

- <u>a.</u> Replacement antenna-supporting structures, antennas and/or antenna arrays shall have a monopole construction. .
- b. As an alternative to a new monopole type construction for the replacement structure at the existing site, an applicant may request the construction of two (2) distinct facilities at two different locations consisting of either stealth or attached facility construction, which facilities, when collectively utilized, will permit at a minimum the same number of Wireless Communications Facilities on the two new facilities as were capable of being placed on the existing structure sought to be replaced.
- c. The alternative facilities provided in subsection (b) above shall be processed as one (1) application under this Code and shall require only one application fee. Such alternative facilities shall be evaluated and permitted in accordance with the standards and requirements as set forth in the stealth facilities and attached facilities provisions of this Code.
- (5) Removal of old structure shall be completed within 90 days of completion of replacement structure and otherwise subject to the abandonment provision hereinbelow.
- (B) Submittal requirements for replacement antenna-supporting structure applications:

- 1. For a proposed replacement antenna-supporting structure application to be considered complete, it shall contain the same submittal materials required as indicated in Section 12-509 (A)(2) a. through i., k., l., n. (1) through (4), o., p and q.
- 2. For proposed alternative replacement structures as provided in subsection (A)(4)(b) above, a complete application shall contain all of the requirements specified in 12-512(B), if it is an attached facility is proposed and 12-514 (B) if a stealth facility, as applicable.

12-511 Colocation on an Existing Antenna-Supporting Structure.

- (A) Approval criteria for colocation on existing antenna-supporting structures:
 - 1. For a colocation on an existing antenna-supporting structure to be approved, it shall meet with approval criteria in Section 12-509 (A) (1) h. through j., and l. as well as the following:

2. Height.

A colocation on an existing antenna-supporting structure shall not increase the overall height of the antenna-supporting structure, antenna and/or antenna array beyond 120 feet.

3. Structural Integrity.

Any colocation on an existing antenna-supporting structure shall meet current building code requirements (including windloading).

- (B) Submittal requirements for colocation on an existing antenna-supporting structure applications:
 - 1. For a colocation on an existing antenna-supporting structure application to be considered complete, it shall contain submittal materials as indicated in Section 12-509(A) (2), a. through f., n. (1) through (4), o., p. and q., as well as the following:
 - a. A stamped or sealed structural analysis of the existing antennasupporting structure prepared by a licensed Florida engineer indicating that the existing antenna-supporting structure as well as all existing and proposed appurtenances meets current building code requirements (including windloading) for the antenna-supporting structure.

- b. A copy of the lease or sublease between the owner of the antennasupporting structure and the applicant seeking to place additional wireless equipment on the structure. Clauses related to lease term or rent may be deleted or censored.
- c. A certification from the applicant that the radio frequency emissions from the proposed facility, individually and in conjunction with the existing facilities to which collocation is proposed, meet all applicable Federal guidelines.

12-512 Attached Wireless Communications Facilities.

- (A) Approval criteria for attached wireless communications facilities:
 - 1. For a proposed attached wireless communications facility to be approved, it shall meet the approval criteria, as indicated in Section 12-509(A) (1) h., i., j. and l., as well as the following:

2. Accessory Use.

An attached wireless communications facility shall be an accessory use as defined by Section12-503 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Davie; and

3. Height.

- a. The antenna, antenna array, attachment device, equipment enclosure and/or any ancillary equipment shall not extend above the highest point of the building by more than twenty (20) feet; and
- b. Existing or proposed attached wireless communications facilities which project more than twenty (20) feet above the highest point of the building upon which it is mounted shall be considered as an antenna-supporting structure and subject to the provisions for these types of uses pursuant to Section 12-509(A); and

4. Construction.

Attached facilities may have a guyed, lattice, or monopole type construction, but in no case shall a lattice type construction exceed a height of ten (10) feet from the base of the attached facility; and

5. Color.

All attached antenna or antenna arrays, equipment enclosures and ancillary equipment visible from outside the building where they are located shall be painted so as to blend in with the building where they are placed; and

6. Screening and Placement.

- a. Attached wireless communications facilities shall be screened by a parapet or other device so as to minimize its visual impact as measured from the boundary line of the subject property. Attached facilities shall be placed in the center of the building where reasonably possible so as to further minimize visual impact; and
- b. An attached wireless communications facility shall only be attached to a non-residential building.
- (B) Submittal requirements for attached wireless communications facility applications:
 - 1. For a proposed attached wireless communication facility application to be considered complete, it shall contain submittal materials as indicated in Section 12-509(A)(2) a. through f., h., n. (1) through (4), o. p. and q.
 - 2. Certification from a licensed Florida engineer and the applicant that the structure or rooftop to which the facility will be attached has the structural capability to accommodate such attachment, in accordance with the provisions of the current Florida Building Code.

12-513 Stealth Attached Wireless Communications Facilities.

- (A) Approval criteria for stealth attached wireless communications facilities:
 - 1. For a proposed attached wireless communications facility to be approved, it shall meet with the approval criteria as indicated in Section 12-509(A) (1), h., i., j. and l. as well as the following:
 - 2. Accessory Use.

An attached wireless communications facility shall be an accessory use as defined by Section12-503 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Davie; and

3. Height.

- a. The antenna, antenna array, attachment device, equipment enclosure and/or any ancillary equipment shall not extend above the highest point of the building by more than twenty (20) feet; and
- b. Existing or proposed stealth attached wireless communications facilities which project more than twenty (20) feet above the highest point of the building upon which it is mounted shall be considered as an stealth wireless communications facility and subject to the provisions for these types of uses pursuant to Section 12-514; and

4. Aesthetics.

No stealth attached wireless communications facility, whether fully enclosed within a building or otherwise, shall have antennas, antenna arrays, transmission lines, equipment enclosures or other ancillary equipment that is readily identifiable from the public domain as wireless communications equipment. Examples of stealth attached wireless communications facilities include, but are not limited to, false building facades, marquees, and false parapets. Any equipment associated with the stealth attached wireless communications facility which produces noise shall be sited and/or insulated in such a fashion as to minimize the audio impact on adjacent property.

- (B) Submittal requirements for a stealth attached wireless communications facility applications:
 - 1. For a proposed stealth attached wireless communication facility application to be considered complete, it shall contain submittal materials as indicated in Section 12-509(A)(2), a. through f., h., n. (1) through (4),o., p. and q.
 - 2. Certification from a licensed Florida engineer and the applicant that the structure or rooftop to which the facility will be attached has the structural capability to accommodate such attachment, in accordance with the provisions of the current Florida Building Code.

12-514 Stealth Wireless Communications Facilities.

(A) Approval criteria for stealth wireless communications facilities:

1. Setbacks.

a. Stealth facilities shall meet the minimum setback requirements for the zoning district where they are located for the type of structure used or simulated.

2. Height.

Stealth wireless communications facilities shall not exceed one hundred (100) feet in overall height, and shall be compatible with existing adjacent structures.

3. Construction.

No stealth wireless communications facility shall be guyed or have lattice type construction.

4. Structural Integrity.

The stealth facility shall be designed to meet all current building code requirements (including windloading) contained in the Florida Building Code.

5. Aesthetics.

No stealth facility, whether fully enclosed within a building or otherwise, shall have antennas, antenna arrays, transmission lines, equipment enclosures or other ancillary equipment that is readily identifiable from the public domain as wireless communications equipment. Examples of stealth facilities include, but are not limited to, windmills, flagpoles, light stanchions, clock towers, steeples, cupolas and trees. Any equipment associated with the stealth facility that produces noise shall be sited and/or insulated in such a fashion as to minimize the audio impact on adjacent property.

(B) Submittal requirements for stealth wireless communications facilities:

- 1. For a proposed stealth wireless communications facility application to be considered complete, it shall contain submittal materials as indicated in Section 12-509(A)(2) a. through i., k., l., n. (1) through (4), o., p. and q. as well as a photo-simulated post construction renderings of the proposed stealth facility, equipment enclosures, and ancillary structures as they would look after construction from the public domain.
- 2. For a proposed stealth wireless communications facility that is not ground-mounted, the Town Council may waive certain submittal requirements to reflect the necessary documentation required to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 12-515 Expert Review.

- (A) Where due to the complexity of the methodology or analysis required to review an application for a wireless communication facility requiring a special permit, the Town Council may require a technical review by a third party expert, the costs of which shall be borne by the applicant, which sum shall be in addition to site plan and special permit fees. Applicant shall submit a deposit of \$2,000.00 towards the cost of such technical review upon written notification from the Town Council that a technical review is required, and shall remit any outstanding balance to the Town for such review (not to exceed the total costs set forth in Section 12-517) prior to issuance of a building permit. New antenna supporting structures shall require an expert review. The Town Council reserves the right to require an expert review for any other type of structure.
- (B) The expert review may address any or all of the following:
 - (1) The accuracy and completeness of submissions;
 - (2) The applicability of analysis techniques and methodologies;
 - (3) The validity of conclusions reached;
 - (4) Whether the proposed wireless communications facility complies with the applicable approval criteria set forth in these Codes; and
 - (5) Other matters deemed by the Town Council to be relevant to determining whether a proposed wireless communications facility complies with the provisions of these codes.
- (C) Based on the results of the expert review, the Town Council may require changes to the applicant's application or submittals.
- (D) The applicant shall reimburse the Town within fifteen (15) working days of the date of receipt of an invoice for expenses associated with the third party expert's review of the application. Failure by the applicant to make reimbursement pursuant to this section shall abate the pending application until paid in full.

Section 12-516 Abandonment.

(A) Towers and antenna shall be removed, at the owners expense, within one hundred eighty (180) days of cessation of use, unless the abandonment is associated with a replacement antenna structure as provided hereinabove, in which case the removal shall occur within ninety (90) days of cessation of use.

- (B) An owner wishing to extend the time for removal or reactivation shall submit an application stating the reason for such extension. The Town Administrator may extend the time for removal or reactivation up to sixty (60) additional days upon a showing of good cause. If the tower or antenna is not removed in a timely fashion, the Town of Davie may give notice that it will contract for removal within thirty (30) days following written notice to the owner. Thereafter, the Town of Davie may cause removal at the cost of the owner.
- (C) Upon removal of the wireless telecommunication facility, the site shall be returned to its natural state and topography and vegetated consistent with the natural surroundings.

Section. 12-517 Application and Review Fees.

(A) Application fees are due and payable by the applicant at the time of submission of application materials as follows:

(1) Stealth Wireless Communications Facility	_	\$2,500.00
(2) Stealth Attached Wireless Communications Facility	-	\$3,000.00
(3) Attached Wireless Communications Facility	-	\$3,500.00
(4) Replacement of Existing Antenna Support Structure	-	\$4,000.00
(5) Colocation on Existing Antenna Supporting Structure	-	\$5,000.00
(6) New Antenna Support Structure	-	\$7,500.00
(7) Satellite Earth Station	-	\$ 500.00
(8) Amateur Wireless Facility (over 80 feet)	-	\$ 100.00

(B) Expert Review Fees as provided in Section 12-515 shall not exceed the following maximum amounts:

(1) Stealth Wireless Communications Facility	-	\$3,500.00
(2) Stealth Attached Wireless Communications Facility		\$3,500.00
(3) Attached Wireless Communications Facility		\$4,000.00
(4) Replacement of Existing Antenna Support Structure		\$4,500.00
(5) Colocation on Existing Antenna Supporting Structure		\$5,000.00
(6) New Antenna Support Structure		\$7,500.00

Section 12-518 Town-Owned Property.

- (A) Pursuant to applicable law, the Town may contract with a third party to administer Town-owned property for purposes of developing Town-owned sites as part of a Master Telecommunications Plan, consistent with the terms of this ordinance. Except as specifically provided herein, the terms of this ordinance, and the requirements established thereby, shall be applicable to all Wireless Communications Facilities to be developed or colocated on Town-owned sites.
- (B) If an applicant requests a permit to develop a site on town-owned property, the permit granted hereunder shall not become effective until the applicant and the town have executed a written agreement or lease setting forth the particular terms and provisions under which the permit to occupy and use the public lands of the town will be granted.
- (C) Nonexclusive grant. No permit granted under this Section 12-518 shall convey any exclusive right, privilege, permit or franchise to occupy or use the public lands of the town for delivery of telecommunications services or any other purpose.
- (D) Rights granted. No permit granted under this section shall convey any right, title or interest in the public lands, but shall be deemed a permit only to use and occupy the public lands for the limited purposes and term stated in the grant. Further, no permit shall be construed as a conveyance of a title interest in the property.

Section 12-519 Satellite Earth Stations

- (A) Satellite earth stations that are greater than one (1) meter (39.37 inches) in diameter in residential districts and greater than two (2) meters in diameter in all other zoning districts and which are greater than twenty (20) feet above grade in residential districts and thirty-five (35) feet above grade in all other zoning districts shall be subject to receipt of a special permit; submittal requirements shall include those items enumerated in Section 12-509(A) (2) a., h., i., j., n.(6), p. and q., together with the application fee in Section 12-517 above. In addition, if the satellite earth station is to be attached to a roof or building, a letter certifying the roof's and building's structural stability shall be written and sealed by a licensed engineer, and shall be submitted to the Town Administrator, prior to any approval of a roof-mounted satellite earth station. Roof-mounted satellite earth stations that comply with the provisions of these regulations do not require additional yard setbacks or setbacks from residential areas or dwellings.
- (B) Satellite earth stations that are greater than one (1) meter (39.37 inches) in diameter in residential and neighborhood service districts and greater than two (2) meters in diameter in all other zoning districts and which are less than twenty (20) feet above grade in residential and neighborhood service districts and thirty-five (35) feet above grade in all other zoning districts shall be permitted so long as they employ a

stealth design, i.e. patio umbrella or faux boulder or are otherwise surrounded by landscaping designed in accordance with Section 12-100 et seq. of the Town Code of Ordinances that prevents the earth station from being seen on all four sides. No stealth designed satellite earth station, whether fully enclosed within a building or otherwise, shall have antennas, antenna arrays, transmission lines, equipment enclosures or other ancillary equipment that is readily identifiable from the public domain as a satellite earth station. Alternatively, a satellite earth station may be attached to a roof or building, provided that a letter certifying the roof's and building's structural stability shall be written and sealed by a licensed engineer, and shall be submitted to the Town Administrator, prior to any approval of a roof-mounted satellite earth station. Roof-mounted satellite earth stations that comply with the provisions of these regulations do not require additional yard setbacks or setbacks from residential areas or dwellings.

Section 12-520 – Amateur wireless facility (over Eighty (80) feet).

In all zoning districts, an applicant proposing an Amateur wireless facility in excess of eighty (80) feet shall be required to obtain a special permit.

A. Application Requirements:

- 1. Site plan application in accordance with the site plan requirements of the Town of Davie Code of Ordinances
- 2. Applicant's copy of current, valid FCC license for amateur radio operation.
- 3. Site plan sketch showing all proposed structures (e.g. support structures, anchorage) and setbacks from such structures to property boundaries.
- 4. Payment of application fee as provided in Section 12-517.

B. Approval Criteria for amateur wireless facility over eighty (80) feet:

- 1. Said facility shall be accessory to a legal, principal use on site (e.g. residence).
- Structures, including towers, shall meet the setback requirements for accessory uses for the zoning district in which the proposed facility shall be located.
- 3. Applicant shall commit in writing that the facility will be erected in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- 4. If more than two hundred twenty (220) voltage is present in the ground grid or in the tower, a sign shall be attached to the tower and shall display in large bold letters the following: "HIGH VOLTAGE--DANGER."

Section 12-34(G)

(G) Communication Apparatus:

- (1) In all districts except the U district, radio, television, telephone or other communication transmitting, receiving or relay stations, structures and/or towers are limited to a maximum height of twenty-five (25) feet above grade. Dish antennae are limited to a maximum of four (4) feet in diameter, except that satellite dish antennae measuring in excess of four (4) feet in diameter may be permitted in accordance with the following:
 - (a) In residential zoning districts a satellite dish antennae is considered an accessory structure to a permitted use and shall not be located in any required yard other than a rear yard.
 - (b) In nonresidential zoning districts no satellite dish antennae may be located in any yard that abuts residentially zoned land or land designated residential on the town's future land use plan map.
 - (c) Any person, firm or corporation desiring to erect a satellite dish antenna shall be required to fully screen such antenna from public view (neighbors, public streets, etc.) through the use of berms, walls, fences, shrubs, hedges, trees or any combination thereof; provided, that when walls and/or fences are used they shall not exceed six (6) feet in height on residentially zoned lands and eight (8) feet in height on nonresidentially zoned lands.
 - (d) When a fence and/or wall is used to screen satellite dish antennae, twenty-five (25) percent of the length of the outboard view of such fence and/or wall shall contain plantings of shrubs, hedges or trees. Such screening shall consist of plant material which shall achieve a full cover appearance within six (6) months of planting. All screening shall be in conformance with Town Code requirements.
 - (e) Antennae in excess of twelve (12) feet in diameter are permitted by special permit issued pursuant to Article X.
 - (2) In the CC district radio, television, telephone or other communication transmitting, receiving or relay stations, structures and/or towers are limited to a maximum height equal to the height of the adjacent building. Dish antennae are limited to a maximum of twelve (12) feet in diameter; antennae in excess of twelve (12) feet in diameter are permitted by special permit issued pursuant to Article X.
 - (3) In the U district radio, television, telephone or other communication transmitting, receiving or relay stations, structures and/or towers and dish antennae are permitted pursuant to the conceptual master land use plan associated with the zoning.

ARTICLE XV. TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWERS AND ANTENNAS

Sec. 12-504. Intent.

The regulations and requirements of this article are intended to:

- (A) Promote the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens by regulating the siting of telecommunications towers;
- (B) Provide for the appropriate location and development of telecommunications towers and antennas within the Town;
- (C) Minimize adverse visual effects of telecommunication towers and antennas through careful design, siting, landscape screening and innovative camouflaging techniques;
- (D) Avoid potential damage to adjacent properties from tower failure through engineering and careful siting of tower structures; and
- (E) Protect residential areas and land uses from potential adverse impacts of telecommunication towers and antennas by maximizing use of any new or existing telecommunications towers through share use, i.e., co-location, to reduce the number of towers needed.

(Ord. No. 97-16, § 1, 3-19-97)

Sec. 12-505. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- (A) Accessory use means a use incidental to, subordinate to, and subservient to the main use of the premises.
- (B) Antenna means a transmitting and/or receiving device used in telecommunications that radiates or captures electromagnetic waves, including directional antennas, such as panel and microwave dish antennas, and omnidirectional antennas, such as whips, excluding radar antennas, amateur radio antennas and satellite earth stations and private home use of television antennas.
- (C) Guyed tower means a telecommunication tower that is supported, in whole or in part, by guy wires and ground anchors.
- (D) Microwave dish antenna means a dish-like antenna used to link communication sites together by wireless transmission of voice or data.
- (E) Monopole tower means a telecommunication tower consisting of a single pole or spire self-supported by a permanent foundation, constructed without guy wires and ground anchors.
- (F) Panel antenna means an array of antennas designed to concentrate a radio signal in a particular area.
- (G) Self-support/lattice tower means a telecommunication tower that is constructed without guy wires and ground anchors.
- (H) Stealth facility means any telecommunications facility which is designed to blend into the surrounding environment. Examples of stealth facilities include architecturally screened roof mounted antennas, antennas integrated into architectural elements, and telecommunication towers designed to look like light poles, power poles or trees.

- (I) Telecommunications tower means a guyed, monopole or self-support/lattice tower, constructed as a freestanding structure, containing one or more antennas intended for transmitting or receiving television, AM/FM radio, digital, microwave, cellular, telephone, or similar forms of electronic communication, excluding radar towers, amateur radio support structures licensed by the FCC, private home use of satellite dishes and television antennas and satellite earth stations.
- (J) Whip antenna means a cylindrical antenna that transmits signals in 360 degrees. (Ord. No. 97-16, § 1, 3-19-97)

Sec. 12-506. Telecommunications towers.

- (A) A telecommunications tower shall be a conditionally permitted use of land allowable by special permit in all zoning districts, except for "E," "A-1," "AG," "R-1" and "RR" districts and lands with industrial land use designations and zoned for industrial uses. No person or entity shall build, erect or construct a telecommunications tower upon any parcel of land within a zoning district designated "E," "A-1," "AG," "R-1" and "RR." Telecommunications towers shall be permitted without special permit upon lands with industrial land use designations and zoned for industrial use subject to the limitations of this section. No telecommunications towers shall be built, erected or constructed unless a building permit shall have been issued by the development services department of the town. Application shall be made to the development services department in the manner provided in this chapter.
- (B) A telecommunications tower shall be a conditional use of land subject to detailed use regulations as set forth in this article. On property owned by the Town, the Town shall authorize the application and use of Town property after the applicant executes a lease agreement acceptable to the Town. The Town shall have no obligation whatsoever to execute such lease even if the applicant can meet the criteria set forth herein. Applications for location of telecommunications towers upon lands owned by the Town of Davie shall be acted upon administratively without the necessity for a public hearing.
- (C) Antennas added to existing towers. After approval by the development services director, telecommunications antennas may be placed on existing towers with sufficient loading capacity. The capacity shall be certified by an engineer licensed to practice in the State of Florida.
- (D) Minimum standards. Telecommunications towers shall be subject to the following minimum standards:
 - (1) Prior to the issuance of a building permit by the building division of the development services department, a site development plan shall be presented for approval to the site plan committee and the Town Council. Each application for a proposed telecommunications tower shall include all requirements for site development plan approval as required by Section 12-372 of the Land Development Code. The director of development services may waive all or some of these provisions for stealth towers which are designed to emulate existing structures already on the site, including but not limited to light standards or power poles.

- (2) A statement shall be submitted, prepared by a professional registered engineer licensed to practice in the State of Florida, which through rational engineering analysis certifies the tower's compliance with applicable standards as set forth in the South Florida Building Code, latest Broward County Edition, and any associated regulations; and describes the tower's capacity, including number and type of antennas it can accommodate. No tower shall be permitted to exceed its loading capacity. For all antennas attached to existing structures, the statement shall include certification that the structure can support the load superimposed from the tower.
- (3) Height/setbacks and related location requirements.
 - (a) The height of a telecommunications tower shall not exceed one hundred fifty (150) feet. Tower height shall be measured from the natural grade of the site prior to any fill, excavation or earthwork activities associated with the proposed telecommunications tower.
 - (b) In non-residential zoning districts, and in residential zoning districts abutting non-residential zoning districts, telecommunications towers shall conform with the setbacks established for the underlying zoning district.
 - (c) In residential zoning districts, monopole, lattice or guyed telecommunications towers shall not be permitted within one hundred fifty (150) feet of any other district zoned or land uses planned for residential uses.
 - (d) Monopole, lattice or guyed telecommunications towers shall not be located within seven hundred fifty (750) feet of any existing monopole, lattice or guyed telecommunications tower.
 - (e) All buildings and other structures to be located on the same property as a telecommunications tower shall conform with the setbacks established for principal structures.
- (4) Aircraft hazard. Prior to the issuance of a building permit by the building division of the development services department, the applicant shall provide evidence that the telecommunications towers or antennas are in compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations. Where an antenna will not exceed the highest point of the existing structure upon which it is to be mounted, such evidence shall not be required.
- (5) Approval required from other governmental agencies. Each application for a telecommunications tower may be required to include written approval or a statement of no objection from other federal or state agencies that may regulate telecommunications tower siting, design, and construction.
- (6) FCC emissions standards. All proposed telecommunications towers shall comply with current radio frequency emissions standards of the Federal Communications Commission. All applicants shall provide proof of compliance with this requirement in a form acceptable to the town.
- (7) Buffering and landscape. All buffering and landscape requirements shall adhere to the standards as stated in Section 12-113, Buffering and Landscaping for telecommunication towers, antenna, related accessory

- structures and other communication antenna apparatus. The Town may require landscaping in excess of the requirements of the Town Code in order to enhance compatibility with adjacent residential and nonresidential land uses.
- (8) High voltage and "No Trespassing" warning signs.
 - (a) If high voltage is necessary for the operation of the telecommunications tower or any accessory structures, "HIGH VOLTAGE-DANGER" warning signs shall be permanently attached to the fence or wall and shall be spaced no more than forty (40) feet apart.
 - (b) "NO TRESPASSING" warning signs shall be permanently attached to the fence or wall and shall be spaced no more than forty (40) feet apart.
 - (c) The letters for the "HIGH VOLTAGE—DANGER" and "NO TRESPASSING" warning signs shall be at least six (6) inches in height. The two warning signs may be combined into one sign. The warning signs shall be installed at least five (5) feet above the finished grade of the fence.
 - (d) The warning signs may be attached to freestanding poles if the content of the signs may be obstructed by landscaping.
- (9) Equipment storage. All outdoor storage shall be prohibited at any telecommunication site.
- (10) Removal of abandoned or unused facilities. All abandoned or unused telecommunication tower facilities shall be removed by the tower owner/operator within ninety (90) days of the cessation of use. A tower shall be considered abandoned if use has been discontinued for one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days. Telecommunication towers being utilized for other purposes, including but not limited to light standards and power poles, may be exempt from this provision.
- (11) Signs and advertising. The use of any portion of a tower for signs or advertising purposes, including company name, banners, streamers, etc., shall be strictly prohibited.
- (12) Accessory buildings or structures. All accessory buildings or structures shall meet all building design standards as listed in this Code, and in accordance with the provisions of the South Florida Building Code, latest Broward County Edition. All accessory buildings or structures shall require a building permit issued by the building division of the development services department.
- (13) Colors. Telecommunications towers shall be painted or constructed in neutral colors, designed to blend into the surrounding environment, such as non-contrasting gray. This requirement may be superseded by the requirements of [any] other county, state, or federal regulatory agency possessing jurisdiction over telecommunications towers.
- (14) Non-interference. Each application to allow construction of a telecommunications tower shall include a certified statement that the construction of the tower, including reception and transmission functions,

will not interfere with public safety communications and the usual and customary transmission or reception of radio, television, etc. service enjoyed by adjacent residential and non-residential properties. The statement shall be prepared by a registered engineer licensed to practice in the State of Florida.

- (E) Occupational Licenses. All owners of telecommunications towers shall obtain an occupational license from the town to authorize use of the tower.
- (F) Telecommunications towers are prohibited when a proposed or existing principal use includes the storage, distribution, or sale of volatile, flammable, explosive, or hazardous wastes such as LP gas, propane, gasoline, natural gas, and corrosive or dangerous chemicals.

(Ord. No. 97-16, § 1, 3-19-97; Ord. No. 2001-026, § 1, 5-16-01)

Sec. 12-507. Antennas.

- (A) Antennas shall be permitted as follows:
 - (1) Stealth rooftop or building mounted antennas may be permitted as an accessory use in the "E," "A-1," "A-G," "R-1" and "RR" districts.
 - (2) Non-stealth rooftop or building mounted antennas shall be a conditionally permitted accessory use of land allowable by special permit in all zoning districts, except "E," "A-1," "A-6," "R-1" and "RR," and lands with industrial land use designations and zoned for industrial uses. Non-stealth rooftop or building mounted antenna shall be permitted without special permit upon lands with industrial land use designations and zoned for industrial use subject to the limitations of this section.
- (B) Minimum Standards. Building or rooftop antennas shall be subject to the following minimum standards:
 - (1) Antennas may not extend more than 20 feet above the highest point of a roof:
 - (2) Antennas, and related equipment buildings, shall be located or screened to minimize the visual impact of the antenna upon adjacent properties and shall be of a material or color which matches the exterior of the building or structure upon which it is situated;
 - (3) No commercial advertising shall be allowed on an antenna;
 - (4) No signals, lights, or illumination shall be permitted on an antenna, unless required by the Federal Communications Commission or the Federal Aviation Administration;
 - (5) Any related unmanned equipment building shall not contain more than 750 square feet of gross floor area or be more than twelve (12) feet in height; and
 - (6) If the equipment building is located on the roof of the building, the area of the equipment building shall not occupy more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the roof area.
- (C) Antenna types. To minimize adverse visual impacts, antenna types shall be selected based upon the following hierarchy. The application shall be required to demonstrate, in a technical manner acceptable to the Town staff, why each choice

in the hierarchy cannot be used for the particular application in order to justify the selection of an antenna type lower in the hierarchy:

- (1) Stealth;
- (2) Panel;
- (3) Whip;
- (4) Dish.
- (D) Antenna Dimensions. Antenna dimensions shall be approved by the development services director as required by existing technology. A statement shall be submitted, prepared by a professional registered engineer licensed to practice in the State of Florida, to certify the need for the required dimensions.

(Ord. No. 97-16, § 1, 3-19-97)

Sec. 12-508. Shared use of communication antennas.

- (A) To minimize adverse visual impacts associated with the proliferation and clustering of telecommunications towers, co-location of communication antennas by more than one carrier on existing or new telecommunications towers shall take precedence over the construction of new single-use telecommunication towers.

 Accordingly, each application for a telecommunications tower shall include the following:
 - (1) A written evaluation of the feasibility of sharing a telecommunications tower, if an appropriate telecommunications tower or towers is/are available. The evaluation shall analyze one or more of the following factors:
 - (a) Structural capacity of the tower or towers;
 - (b) Radio frequency interference;
 - (c) Geographical service area requirements;
 - (d) Mechanical or electrical incompatibility;
 - (e) Inability or ability to locate equipment on the tower or towers;
 - (f) Availability of towers for co-location;
 - (g) Any restrictions or limitations of the Federal Communications Commission that would preclude the shared use of the tower;
 - (h) Additional information requested by the Town.
- (B) The Town may deny an application if an available co-location is feasible and the application is not for such co-location.
- (C) The Town may require additional sharing feasibility evaluations if warranted by changes in technology.
- (D) For any telecommunications tower approved for shared use, the owner of the tower shall provide notice of the location of the telecommunication tower and the tower's load capacity to all other providers.

(Ord. No. 97-16, § 1, 3-19-97)